GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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ANTI DUMPING DUTY ON RUBBER
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to impose Anti-Dumping Duty or to increase Customs Tariff (Import Duty) of Natural Rubber and substances such as polyurethene and Artificial Rubber which are used instead of Natural Rubber for Industrial purposes;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the action being taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

(SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) to (c) As per the Rules of Anti-dumping, initiation of Anti-dumping investigation is undertaken only when the domestic industry files a petition to the Designated Authority, with prima facie evidence of dumping, injury and causal link between the dumping of the imported goods and injury to the domestic industry.
As far as Natural rubber is concerned there is no investigation under the Anti-dumping rules. Final (Definitive) anti-dumping duties have been imposed in the following cases on Artificial Rubber products :

S.No.	Product	Country	Range of Duty imposed
1	Acrylonitrile Butadiene Rubber (NBR)	Japan	Rs. 7882/MT
2	Acrylonitrile Butadiene Rubber (NBR)	Germany & Korea RP	Rs. 8316/MT to Rs. 13255/MT
3	Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer Rubber (EPDM)	Japan	Difference between Rs. 100644 to Rs. 104725 & landed price of imports/kg.
4	Styrene Butadiene Rubber (SBR)	Japan, Korea, Turkey, China, Taiwan, USA, Germany & France	Rs. 48.20/kg. to Rs. 62.16/kg.

Preliminary duty has been recommended in the case of Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer Rubber (EPDM) imports from Korea. Ministry of Finance notification imposing duties is awaited.

There is currently no proposal to increase the Customs Tariff (Import Duty) on Natural Rubber or Polyurethene or any other Artificial Rubber.